

CRANSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

JULY 16, 2012

HOPE HIGHLANDS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

300 HOPE ROAD, CRANSTON, RI 02921

EXECUTIVE SESSION 6:00 P.M.

PUBLIC SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

AGENDA

1. Call to Order iV 6:00 p.m. iV Convene to Executive Session pursuant to RI State Laws PL 42-46-5(a) (1) Personnel; (Discussion of Job Performance of Certified Administrator A);(Discussion of Teacher C's Agreement), (Discussion of Teacher Assistant D's Agreement), (Discussion of Superintendent Search); PL 42-46-5(a)(2) Collective Bargaining and Litigation; (Contract Negotiationsi' Update iV Secretaries), (Maintenance of Effort), (Consideration of legal options regarding status of aid to education appropriation and legal advice relating to same).

2. Executive Session

3. Call to Order iV Public Session

4. Roll Call iV Quorum

5. Executive Session minutes sealed iV July 16, 2012

6. Approve the minutes of June 12, 18 and June 25, 2012 meetings.

7. Public Acknowledgements/Communications

8. Chairperson's Communications

„X Comments from Governor Chafee's Office on Superintendent

Nero's Retirement.

9. Superintendent's Communications

10. School Committee Member Communications

11. Public Hearing

a. Students (agenda/non-agenda matters)

b. Members of the Public (agenda matters only)

12. Consent Calendar/Consent Agenda

RESOLUTIONS

NO. 12-7-1 - Whereas, Peter L. Nero has dedicated thirty-four years to the children of Cranston Public Schools as a teacher, an assistant principal, a principal, an Assistant Superintendent and then Superintendent of Schools, and

Whereas, Peter L. Nero has provided strong and dedicated leadership to the Cranston Public Schools as Superintendent, and

Whereas, Peter L. Nero has brought honor and distinction to the education profession and the City of Cranston,

Whereas, Peter L. Nero hereby retires from the Cranston Public Schools effective July 16, 2012,

Be it RESOLVED, that in honor of his dedicated service to the youth of the City of Cranston and the Cranston Public Schools, Peter L. Nero be designated Superintendent Emeritus by the Cranston School Committee, and

Be it further RESOLVED, that Peter L. Nero receive a copy of this Resolution signed by the members of the Cranston School Committee.

Sponsored by Chairperson Iannazzi

**NO. 12-7-2 ¶ Whereas in today's difficult economy, high school students are struggling to find ways to afford college; and
Whereas, a national survey conducted by the Jump\$tart Coalition in 2008 found that only 48.4% of 12th grade students passed a Personal Financial Survey (<http://www.jumpstart.org/assets/files/2008SurveyBook.pdf>); and**

Whereas, there now exists several vehicles to provide free financial literacy curriculum to our students (Everfi, Jump\$tart RI Coalition, National Financial Educators Council);

Be it RESOLVED that the Central Administration prepare a plan for review by the School Committee to include financial literacy in the Cranston Public Schools curriculum.

PERSONNEL

NO. 12-7-3 - Be it RESOLVED that Dr. Judith Lundsten be hereby appointed interim superintendent at no additional compensation until a replacement superintendent is appointed.

NO. 12-7-4- Resolved, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following certified personnel be appointed for the 2012-2013 school year:

Colleen Hart;KStep 1

Education;KURI, BS & BA

Experience;KWesterly Student Teacher

Certification;KSecondary Math

Assignment;KCranston East 1.0 FTE

Effective Date;KAugust 27, 2012

Authorization;KReplacement

Fiscal Note;K 11312280-51110

Kerry Holden, Step 1

Education;KURI, BA

Experience;KCranston Student Teacher

Certification;KSecondary Math

Assignment;KCranston East 1.0 FTE

Effective Date;KAugust 27, 2012

Authorization;KReplacement

Fiscal Note;K11312280-51110

Katherine Tanner, Step 4 + Masters

Education;KURI BA, MLS

Experience;KWest Warwick School Department

Certification;KLibrary\ Media

Assignment;KItinerant 1.0 FTE

Effective Date;KAugust 27, 2012

Authorization;KReplacement

Fiscal Note;K12216030-51110

Katherine O;Kane, Step 1 + Masters

Education;KUniversity of Mass, BA, URI, MLS

Experience;KCranston Substitute

Certification;KLibrary\Media

Assignment;KItinerant 1.0 FTE

Effective Date;KAugust 27, 2012

Authorization;KReplacement

Fiscal Note;K12216030-51110

Jennifer Cohen, Step 1 + Masters

Education;KBrown University, BA, URI MLS

Experience;KBarrington Student Teacher

Certification;KLibrary\Media

Assignment;KItinerant 1.0 FTE

Effective Date;KAugust 27, 2012

Authorization;KReplacement

Fiscal Note;K12216030-51110

Trista Casey, Step 2

Education;KRhode Island College, BA

Experience;K West Warwick School Department

Certification;KSpecial Educator ;V Severe/Profound

Assignment;KCranston East 1.0 FTE

Effective Date;KAugust 27, 2012

Authorization;KReplacement

Fiscal Note;K11313260-51110

NO. 12-7-5- Resolved, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following certified personnel be appointed as substitutes on a temporary basis as needed:

Christine Smedberg, Elementary

NO. 12-7-6- Resolved, that at the recommendation of the

Superintendent, the resignation(s) of the following certified personnel be accepted:

Elizabeth Reichardt, Teacher

Cranston High School East

Effective Date: June 30, 2012

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Jeffrey Guiot, Teacher

Cranston High School East

Effective Date: June 30, 2012

Jennifer Plympton, Speech & Language Pathologist

Itinerant

Effective Date: June 30, 2012

NO. 12-7-7- Resolved, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following non-certified personnel be appointed:

Denise Principe, Elementary Secretary

Eden Park Elementary School

Effective Date;KAugust 14, 2012

Authorization;KReplacement

Fiscal Note;K11843210-51110

Jennifer Montefusco, Elementary Secretary

Arlington Elementary School

Effective Date;KAugust 14, 2012

Authorization;KReplacement

Fiscal Note;K12543210-51110

Gina Capuano, Elementary Secretary

E. S. Rhodes Elementary School

Effective Date;KAugust 14, 2012

Authorization;KReplacement

Fiscal Note;K11743210-51110

Susan Dubuque, Elementary Secretary

Chester Barrows Elementary School

Effective Date;KAugust 14, 2012

Authorization;KReplacement

Fiscal Note;K11243210-51110

Roland Lataille, Jr., PT Custodian

George J. Peters Elementary School

Effective Date;KJuly 17, 2012

Authorization;KReplacement

Fiscal Note;K12447050-51110

Richard Falco, PT Custodian

Eden Park Elementary School

Effective Date;KJuly 17, 2012

Authorization;KReplacement

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NO. 12-7-8- Resolved, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following non-certified personnel be appointed as substitutes on a temporary basis as needed:

Otis Wolloh, Bus Driver

Donna Rossi, Bus Driver

Nathalie Ferland, Bus Driver

Lesly Larosiliere, Bus Driver

NO. 12-7-9- Resolved, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the retirement(s) of the following non-certified personnel be accepted:

Gerrie Zettel, Teacher Assistant

Oak Lawn Elementary School

Effective Date: June 30, 2014

NO. 12-7-10- Resolved, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation(s) of the following non-certified personnel be accepted:

Marissa Generali, Mail/Copy Clerk

Human Resources

Effective Date: July 16, 2012

NO. 12-7-11 iV Resolved, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the agreement of Teacher C be approved.

NO. 12-7-12 iV Resolved, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the agreement of Teacher Assistant D be approved.

BUSINESS

NO. 12-7-13- Resolved, that the following purchase(s) be approved:

Athletic Training & Sports Medicine Services provided at no cost to Cranston Public Schools be awarded to Alpha Physical Therapy.

Number of bids issued 4

Number of bids received 2

NO. 12-7-14- Resolved, that the following purchase(s) be approved:

Computer Supplies in the amount of \$11,780.83.

Number of bids issued 4

Number of bids received 3

NO. 12-7-15- Resolved, that the following purchase(s) be approved:

Design/Build Services for Fire Alarm Upgrade at the Early Learning Center be awarded in the amount of \$22,900.00.

Number of bids issued 9

Number of bids received 2

NO. 12-7-16- RESOLVED, that the following purchase(s) be approved: Tandem Axle Car Hauler Trailer in the amount of \$7,875.00 Funding provided by the National Association of Music Education.

Number of bids issued 7

Number of bids received 1

NO. 12-7-17- RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the REVISED 2011-2012 School Calendar be approved (attached) adding additional new teacher orientation day of August 22, 2012.

NO. 12-7-18- RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Chairperson of the School Committee, the Cranston School Committee Meetings and Work Sessions schedule for 2012-2013 be adopted (attached).

NO. 12-7-19 iV RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the approval of the Purchased Service Agreement between The West Bay Collaborative Program located at the Horton Elementary School and Cranston Public Schools for the amount of \$430,000.00 be approved.

TABLED RESOLUTION

NO. 12-6-36 ¶V Resolved, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the non-renewal of Administrator A ¶V Elementary Principal, be accepted.

School Committee members who are unable to attend this meeting are asked to notify the Chairperson in advance.

Interested persons and the public at large, upon advance notice, will be given a fair opportunity to be heard at said meeting on the items proposed on the Agenda.

Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Superintendent's Office at 270-8170 72 hours in advance of hearing date.

Any changes in the agenda pursuant to RIGL 42-46-6(e) will be posted on the school district's website at www.cpsed.net, Cranston Public Schools' administration building, 845 Park Ave., Cranston, RI; and Cranston City Hall, 869 Park Ave., Cranston, RI and will be electronically filed with the Secretary of State at least forty-eight hours (48) in advance of the meeting.

Notice posted: July 13, 2012

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CRANSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Resolution No. 12-3-26

CALENDAR FOR 2012-2013

Amended Res. No.12-7-17

At the discretion of the Superintendent of Schools, and with School

Committee approval, this calendar may be altered during the scheduled recess periods or at the end of the school year, due to emergencies affecting the health and safety of our students and/or operation of our schools.

MONTH M T W T F DAYS MONTH M T W T F DAYS

Aug.	22* 23* 24*	Feb.	1
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	11 12 13 14 15		
Sept.	X 4 5 6 7	X X X X X	10 X 12 13 14 25 26 27 28 (15)
	X X 19 20 21		
	24 25 X 27 28 (15)	Mar.	1
	4 5 6 7 8		
Oct.	1 2 3 4 5 11 12 13 14 15		
	X 9 10 11 12 18 19 20 21 22		
	15 16 17 18 19 25 26 27 28 X (20)		
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	29 30 31 (22)	Apr.	1 2 3 4 5
	8 9 10 11 12		
Nov.	1 2 X X X X X		
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	X 13 14 15 16 29 30 (17)		
	19 20 21 X X		
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Dec.	3 4 5 6 7 13 14 15 16 17		

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***New Teacher Orientation ¡V August 22, 23 & 24, 2012 **All**

Professional Staff Orientation ¡V Aug. 27, 2012

First Day of School for Students ¡V Tuesday, August 28, 2012 ¡V ALL

GRADES REPORT

SCHOOLS WILL BE CLOSED (X=no school)

Sept. 3, 2012 Labor Day

Sept. 11, 2012 State Primary Elections

Sept. 17 and 18, 2012 Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 26, 2012 Yom Kippur

Oct. 8, 2012 Columbus Day Observed

Nov. 6, 2012 General Elections

Nov. 12, 2012 Veterans¡ Day Observed

Nov. 22 and 23, 2012 Thanksgiving Recess

Dec. 24 to Jan. 1, 2013 Holiday Recess (includes Christmas

Day/Dec. 25 & New Year¡s Day/Jan 1)

Jan. 21, 2013 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Feb. 18 to Feb. 22, 2013 Mid-Winter Recess (includes Presidents' Day / Feb. 18)

March 29, 2013 Good Friday

April 15 to April 19, 2013 Spring Recess

May 27, 2013 Memorial Day Observed

Schools close June 17, 2013 or the 180th day (June 18th to June 24th = make-up days for inclement weather)

First term ÷ Aug. 28 to Nov. 7, 2012 = Inclusive 45 days Second term ÷ Nov. 8 to Jan. 24, 2013 = Inclusive 45 days

Third term ÷ Jan. 25 to April 5, 2013 = Inclusive 45 days Fourth term ÷ April 8 to June 17, 2013 = Inclusive 45 days

GRADUATION DATES

Cranston High School East and Cranston High School West ÷ Saturday, June 15, 2013. NEL/CPS Construction Career Academy ÷ Friday, June 14, 2013.

Cranston East, Cranston West, and NEL/CPS Construction Career Academy Seniors' Last Day of Instruction ÷ June 4, 2013.

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CRANSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND WORK SESSIONS SCHEDULE

2012-2013

DATE TIME LOCATION

Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2012 5:00 pm (special time) Briggs Building

Monday, Sept. 24, 2012 7:00 pm* Western Hills

Wednesday, Oct. 10, 2012 6:00 pm Briggs Building

Monday, Oct. 15, 2012 7:00 pm* Western Hills

Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2012 6:00 pm Briggs Building

Monday, Nov. 19, 2012 7:00 pm* Western Hills

Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2012 6:00 pm Briggs Building

Monday, Dec. 10, 2012 7:00 pm* Western Hills

2013

**Monday, Jan. 7, 2013 5:30 pm* Briggs Building
(Organizational Meeting)**

**Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2013 7:00 pm Western Hills
(Public Budget Work Session)**

**Monday, Jan. 28, 2013 7:00 pm Western Hills
(Public Budget Work Session)**

**Thursday, Jan. 31, 2013 (if necessary) 7:00 pm Western Hills
(Public Budget Work Session)**

**Monday, Feb. 11, 2013 7:00 pm Western Hills
(Budget Adoption)**

**Thursday, Feb. 14, 2013 7:00 pm Western Hills
(Budget Adoption II)**

Wednesday, March 13, 2013 6:00 pm Briggs Building

Monday, March 18, 2013 7:00 pm* Western Hills

Wednesday, April 10, 2013 6:00 pm Briggs Building

Monday, April 18, 2013 7:00 pm* Western Hills

Wednesday, May 15, 2013 6:00 pm Briggs Building

Monday, May 22, 2013 7:00 pm* Western Hills

Wednesday, June 12, 2013 6:00 pm Briggs Building

Monday, June 17, 2013 7:00 pm* Hope Highlands

Monday, June 24, 2013 7:00 pm* Hope Highlands

Thursday, June 27, 2013 7:00 pm* Hope Highlands

Wednesday, July 10, 2013 6:00 pm Briggs Building

Monday, July 15, 2013 7:00 pm* Hope Highlands

Wednesday, August 14, 2013 6:00 pm Briggs Building

Monday, August 19, 2013 7:00 pm* Hope Highlands

**Wednesday meeting dates denote School Committee Work Sessions
and Monday meeting dates denote regular School Committee
meetings. The schedule has also been adjusted, where it could be, to**

not conflict with City Council meetings.

*** = or immediately following Executive Session.**

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July 16, 2012

Resolution No. 12-7-18